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Adelaide Taylor house
2319 Churchville Road
Bel Air, Maryland 21014

This house is on land that was part of the plantation of Nathaniel Koomes until 1839. He willed the land in several pieces to his nine children and the west end of the house to his daughter Julia and the east end of the house to his sons, James and John. The house has been altered substantially since then and its original construction disguised completely.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Adelaide Taylor House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

South side of Churchville Rd. (Md. 22), between Fountain Green R. (Md. 543) and

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air,

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Shucks Rd.

STATE

Maryland 21014

COUNTY
Harford**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Adelaide Taylor

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

2319 Churchville Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Md. 21014**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

40 S. Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air,

STATE
Maryland 21014**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This stuccoed house, said to be log, is located on the south side of Churchville Road, between Fountain Green & Shucks Roads. Four bays wide and one room deep, with a hip-roofed porch spanning the front, the house has a one-story shed-roofed addition across the back, which extends beyond the east end. With two brick interior end chimneys (replaced) and 2/2 sash windows, this house reveals little of its origins. It has entrances in the center two bays with windows arranged symmetrically around them. The east end has two windows in the first story while the west end has one window. On the south side, there are two windows in the second story.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Few clues to the age of this house are visible on the exterior. It is said to be log, but is larger and more symmetrical than most log structures. The double front entrances are a fairly common phenomena in this part of Harford County, with at least several other examples on Snake Lane near Churchville.

Land records are equally unhelpful. In 1839, Nathaniel Koomes left his plantation in several parts to his children: 23 acres to Edward, Abraham, Emily, and Matilda; an unnamed sum divided in five parts to Julia, Nathaniel, Jane, James, and John. In a codicil to the will, Julia was given the west end of the house and the parcel it was on; James and John was given the east end. The arrangement of this house with two separate entrances lends itself to this deal, but the 1858 Jennings and Herrick Map shows no structure or near this location.

Thomas Cooper purchased three parcels of Nathaniel Koomes' land-one from John Cooper in 1898, one from the heirs of Abraham Cooper 1890, and one from Julia Willis in 1887.² In 1902, all three parcels (34 acres) were sold to Shadrack Johnson for \$1100, in 1904 to Jacob Doxen for \$863, and two parcels consisting of 25 acres in 1914 to William H. Corn.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land & Will Records of Harford County

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Natalie Shivers, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION
Harford County Historic District Commission

DATE
June, 1979

STREET & NUMBER
45 S. Main St.

TELEPHONE
301-879-2000 Ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN
Bel Air,

STATE
Maryland 21014

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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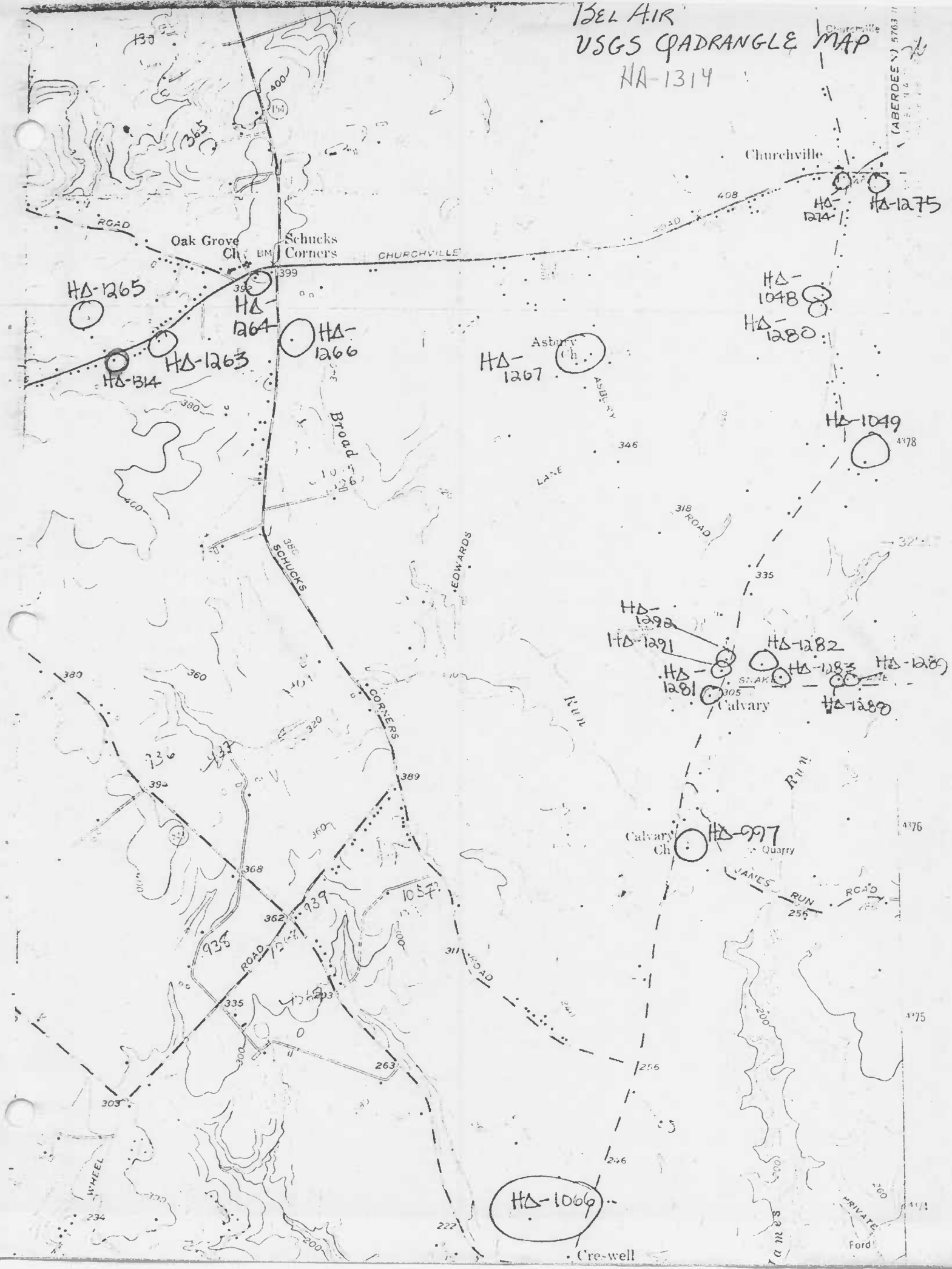
RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Title Search

347/125	June 26, 1950	Grantor: Wm. H. Corn & Brodnax Cameron, Exec. Grantee: Clarence W. & Sara Jane Taylor Sum: \$225 Acreage: 0.172 Acres
320/27	September 2, 1948	Grantor: Wm. H. Corn Grantee: Clarence W. & Sara Jane Taylor Acreage: 0.344 Acres
JAR 145/384	September 15, 1914	Grantor: Elizabeth M. & Jacob A. Doxen, John L.G. Lee, Fireside Perm. Bldg. Assoc. Grantee: Wm. H. Corn Sum: \$1250 Acreage: 25 acres, part of "Widow's Care" (Parcels 1 and 2, Equity Case P/59; see WSF 80/69)
Equity Records	WSF 80/69	Charles Dutton vs. Louisa Smothers et al settlement of Thomas Cooper's and Shadrack Johnson's estates
Will Records	TSB 5/459 probated April 11, 1839	Devisor: Nathaniel Koomes Heirs: Children: Edward, Abraham, Emily, Matilda, Jane, James, John, Julia

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USGS CADRANGLE MAP
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ABERDEEN 5763





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Adelaide Taylor house

Bel Air, MD 21014

N. Shivers

February, 1979

Southwest



HA-134

Adelaide Taylor house

Bel Air, MD 21014

N. Shivers

February, 1979

Northeast